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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
WASHINGTON

January 7, 2010

The Honorable John D. Rockefeller
Chairman
Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation
United States Senate
508 Dirksen Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Chairman Rockefeller:

As you know, Congress has directed the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) to develop a National Broadband Plan to ensure access to broadband capability for all Americans, to provide a detailed strategy for affordability and adoption of broadband, and to maximize utilization of broadband and craft a strategy for using broadband to achieve national purposes. The Commission respectfully requests a one month extension for the delivery of the final Plan.

The Commission makes this request in the interest of advancing a national broadband plan that reflects the extraordinary importance of the task and that is responsive to the unprecedented record developed during the comment and workshop period. The Commission's process for the Plan has been unparalleled in the history of the agency. It has included over 50 public workshops and field hearings, more than a dozen Public Notices, and significant hours devoted at Commission meetings to provide the public with updates on the Plan's development. Further, the additional time will enable the FCC to continue to obtain input from key stakeholders and more fully brief Commissioners and the House and Senate Committees on aspects of the Plan as it comes together. Importantly, this extension will have no impact on the FCC budget for the Plan, or on other ongoing FCC activities.

Accordingly, I respectfully ask that you accept the final Plan on March 17, 2010. The FCC appreciates your consideration of this extension.

Sincerely,

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The Honorable Kay Bailey Hutchison
Ranking Member
Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation
United States Senate
560 Dirksen Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Hutchison:

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The Honorable Henry A. Waxman
Chairman
Committee on Energy and Commerce
U.S. House of Representatives
2125 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Waxman:

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The Honorable Joe Barton
Ranking Member
Committee on Energy and Commerce
U.S. House of Representatives
2322 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congressman Barton:

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